

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHARA PRADESH  
ABSTRACT

Rural Development Department – NREGS-AP – Connecting SC and ST habitations with all-weather roads through PRED and TW Department – outlay – Orders – Issued.

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PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (RD.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.175

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Read the following:-

- 1) NREG Act-2005 No.42 of 2005 of Government of India, Dt.05.09.2005.
- 2) Guidelines of Government of India on convergence dt. 24-12-2008
- 3) Guidelines of Government of India on convergence dt. 19-01-2009
- 4) Guidelines of Government of India on convergence dt. 09-02-2009

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O R D E R:

The National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (NREGA) notified on 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2005, aims at enhancing livelihood security of households in rural areas of the country by providing at least one hundred days of guaranteed wage employment in a financial year to every household whose adult members volunteer to do unskilled manual work. With its rights-based framework and focus on creation of productive assets, the Act exhibits potential to address the challenges of unemployment and poverty and regenerate the village economy in India. The key concerns of NREGS now are developing strategies for channelizing investments made under NREGA towards sustainable development. For this convergence between NREGA and other programmes becomes critical. As per guidelines of Government of India 2<sup>nd</sup> read above, certain assets which require more of technical skills need to be taken up under NREGA in convergence with line Departments with a focus on livelihood base of the poor, especially the marginalized groups i.e. SC/STs.

2) Rural connectivity is an enabling factor towards promotion of sustainable livelihoods in the rural areas, particularly in respect of such habitations with poor road access. Many habitations of SCs and STs in the state have not yet been connected through all-weather roads, with main roads or main villages. In this connection, the Commissioner, RD has submitted a proposal to take up all-weather roads to cover the SC and ST habitations through the line departments i.e., Panchayat Raj Engineering Department and Tribal Welfare Engineering Department.

3) Government after careful examination of the proposal of Commissioner, Rural Development, have decided to take up a "Project to connect all unconnected SC/ST habitations with all-weather roads" under NREGS. The objective of the project is to provide all-weather road from existing road or main village to SC/ST habitations, wherever such road connectivity does not exist. The project shall be completed in the next 3years, following the principle of saturation, in consonance with the spirit of INDIRAMMA Programme.

4) The road project shall be taken up in 3 phases in each Mandal, starting in the financial year 2009-10. Commissioner, Rural Development shall issue detailed guidelines on selection of the road projects in each of the 3 phased, following an objective criteria such as a) Population of SC/ST habitations to be covered, b) the length of the road to be constructed and c) the condition of the existing connectivity if any.

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5) The Commissioner, Rural Development, Engineer-in-Chief (Panchayat Raj) and Director (Tribal Welfare) shall ensure that the works taken up shall be completed by the end of March 2012, strictly following the NREGS guidelines.

6) The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj Engineering Department, Director, Tribal Welfare Department and Project Officers, ITDAs shall furnish proposals on roads covering SC/ST habitations to the Commissioner, Rural Development, Hyderabad.

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(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (RD)

The Commissioner, Rural Development, AP., Hyderabad,  
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The Project Directors, DRDAs and Addl. District Programme Coordinators of 22 NREGS-AP Districts,  
The Chief Executive Officers, ZPs and Addl. District Programme Coordinators of 22 NREGS-AP Districts,  
The Project Officer, ITDA and Addl. District Programme Coordinators of Warangal, Khammam, Adilabad, Vizianagaram, Mahaboobnagar, Srikakulam and East Godavari, West Godavari & Visakhapatnam Districts,  
The District Panchayat Officers of 22 NREGS-AP Districts,  
The Mandal Development Officers through Chief Executive Officers of 22 NREGS- AP Districts,  
The Panchayat Secretaries of Gram Panchayats through District Panchayat Officers of 22 NREGS-AP Districts,  
The Commissioner, Panchayat Raj, AP., Hyderabad.  
The Commissioner, Tribal Welfare, AP., Hyderabad.  
The Commissioner, Social Welfare, AP., Hyderabad.  
The Managing Director, AP State SC Coop.Fin.Corp. Ltd., Hyderabad.  
The Commissioner, AMR APARD, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad.

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